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(Case No. MBHB02,742-F (400/131))

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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Title RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition Of
Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor And
Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor
Receptor Gene Expression Using Short
Interfering Nucleic Acid (siNA)

Examiner: To Be Assigned

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments
before examination on the merits.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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